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| 2a) <u></u> | This action is FINAL . 2b) This | s action is non-final. | | | | |
| 3)⊠ | Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. | | | | | |
| Disposit | ion of Claims | | · | | | |
| 5)⊠ 6)□ 7)⊠ | Claim(s) <u>1-15</u> is/are pending in the application 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdra Claim(s) <u>3-4, 7, 11, 14</u> is/are allowed. Claim(s) is/are rejected. Claim(s) <u>1,2,5,6,8-10,12,13 and 15</u> is/are objection and/or claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or | wn from consideration. | | | | |
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| 10)⊠ | The specification is objected to by the Examine The drawing(s) filed on <u>27 August 2001</u> is/are: Applicant may not request that any objection to the Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correct The oath or declaration is objected to by the E | a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected drawing(s) be held in abeyance. Settion is required if the drawing(s) is ob | ee 37 CFR 1.85(a). bjected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d). | | | |
| Priority (| under 35 U.S.C. § 119 | | | | | |
| а) | Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority document 2. Certified copies of the priority document 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority application from the International Burea See the attached detailed Office action for a list | ts have been received. ts have been received in Applica prity documents have been receiv u (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). | tion No ved in this National Stage | | | |
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DETAILED ACTION

Drawings

1. The drawings are objected to because Fig. 5 should contain an arrow indicating inputs to "Frame Formatting". Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. The replacement sheet(s) should be labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the page header (as per 37 CFR 1.84(c)) so as not to obstruct any portion of the drawing figures. If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Specification

- 2. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities:
 - a. Fig. 3, label 340 is not mentioned in the specification.

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b. The use of the terms "GSM" and "EDGE" on page 1 should include spelled-out equivalent terminology. "GSM" should be spelled-out as Global System for Mobile Communication and "EDGE" should be spelled-out as Enhanced Data for Global Evolution.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Objections

- 3. Claim 1 is objected to because of the following informalities:
 - a. On lines 3, 5,6,8, and 9, the recitation of the limitation "the channel". It is suggested that this should change to either "the estimated channel response" or "the channel estimator". There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. Appropriate correction is required.
- 4. Claim 2, line1, inherits all the limitations of claim 1.
- 5. Claim 5 and 6, line1, the terms "GSM" and "EDGE" should include the equivalent spelled-out terminology. "GSM" should be spelled-out as Global System for Mobile Communication and "EDGE" should be spelled-out as Enhanced Data for Global Evolution.
- 6. Claim 8, lines 5, 6, 8, and 9, inherits all the limitations of claim 1.
- 7. Claim 9, lines 3, 5, and 6 inherits all the limitations of claim 1.
- 8. Claim 10, lines 4 and 5, inherits all the limitations of claim 1.
- 9. Claim 12 and 13, line 1, respectively, inherits all the limitations of claims 5 and 6.
- 10. Claim 15, lines 3, 5, 6, 9 and 10, inherits all the limitations of claim 1.

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Allowable Subject Matter

This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters: The objections to claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, and 15 should be overcome.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO**MONTHS from the mailing date of this letter.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Linda Wong whose telephone number is 571-272-6044. The examiner can normally be reached on 9-5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stephen Chin can be reached on (571) 272-3056. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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